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## PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of J. Carl Cooperfor IMPROVED IFB SYSTEM APPARATUS AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☐ 3 sheets of drawing.
- ☐ an assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ a certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.
- ☐ associate power of attorney.
- ☒ verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. \_\_\_\_\_

## CLAIMS AS FILED

FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE <u>385</u>		
TOTAL CLAIMS <u>51</u>	<u>- 20 -</u>	<u>31</u>
INDEP. CLAIMS <u>3</u>	<u>- 3 -</u>	<u>0</u>
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <u>yes</u>		

## SMALL ENTITY

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<u>11</u>	\$341
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	\$130
TOTAL	\$856

## OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY

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TOTAL	\$

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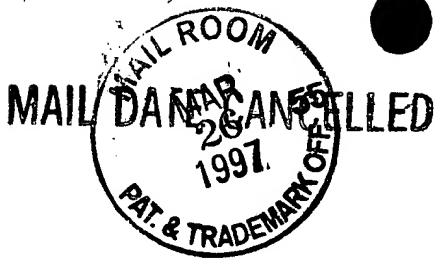
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Applicant is currently attempting to communicate with the Post Office to determine why the Express Mail envelope was returned, opened, to Applicant.

In that Applicant initially deposited the enclosed application with the U.S. Post Office with sufficient postage, and obtained a receipt for that deposit, Applicant respectfully requests that this application be given the filing date of March 14, 1997.

Copies of Applicant's initial receipt, the returned envelope and the letter accompanying the returned envelope are enclosed herewith.

Sincerely

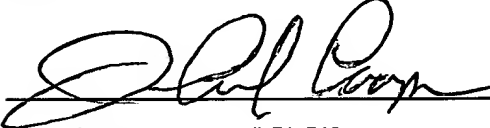
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